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Title: DETECTION OF CLONAL T-CELL RECEPTOR-γ GENE REARRANGEMENT BY PCR/TEMPORAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT GEL ELECTROPHORESIS (TTGE)

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002 ("Paper No. 9"), please consider the following remarks.

The Examiner has divided the claims into three groups:

Group I:

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Claims 1-18, drawn to method of determining T-cell clonality;

Group II:

Claims 19-20, drawn to methods of preparing DNA migration markers;

Group III:

Claim 21, drawn to DNA migration markers

Applicants hereby elect Group I (Claims 1-18), without traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should any matters remain outstanding, the

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Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the address and telephone number listed below so that they may be resolved without the need for additional action and response thereto.

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